



**TESTIMONY**  
of the  
**CONNECTICUT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES**  
to the  
**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

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The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) is Connecticut's statewide association of towns and cities and the voice of local governments - your partners in governing Connecticut. Our members represent over 90% of Connecticut's population. We appreciate the opportunity to testify on the following bill of interest to towns and cities:

**H.B. 5784, "An Act Concerning Grants in Lieu of Taxes on Land Taken into Trust for the Mashantucket Pequot Nation and the Mohegan Tribe"**

CCM supports this bill.

H.B. 5784 would have the effect of increasing payment-in-lieu-of-taxes (PILOT) for municipalities with land taken into trust for the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation and the Mohegan Tribe.

These PILOTs would more fully reimburse towns and cities for properties taken off the tax roll.

Thank you.

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